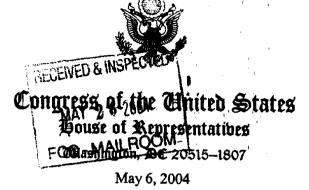
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Dear Chairman Powell:

I would like to take this opportunity to forward to you a letter from a constituent of mine Mr. Joseph David. Mr. David is concerned about a FCC proposal that would allow power companies to use Broadband Power Line (BPL) Transmissions.

Mr. David is worried that BPL transmissions would interfere with communications between amateur radio operators. I would appreciate any assistance you may provide in addressing Mr. David's concerns.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact my office if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

CHRIS JOHN
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I am writting to about an important issue concerning the FCC.

I am an amateur radio operator (ham) . My callsign is KG 5 YR.

The FCC is currently considering Broadband Power Line (BPL) transmissions. I believe its ET Docket 03-104. This would let power companies transmit RF signals over electric lines. These signals for what I understand would be transmitted on H.F. frequenices 1.8 mhz to 30 mhz .

If the FCC goes ahead and grants power companies BPL transmissions . This would have a disasterous effect on H.F. communications. As you know, the power lines hanging on utility poles are not insulated. The signal coming from these lines would wipe out communications for ham operators as well as shortwave reception, avation and military uses.

I understand that Japan had tried BPL . But, it was disscontued because of the interference it caused.

The Amateur Radio Relay League and FEMA have both gone on record that they oppose BPL . However, from what I hear the FCC is still goin ahead with BPL .

Rep. John , please look into the FCC's doings with BPL transmissions. I cant believe . FCC going through with it.

Thanks Joseph David